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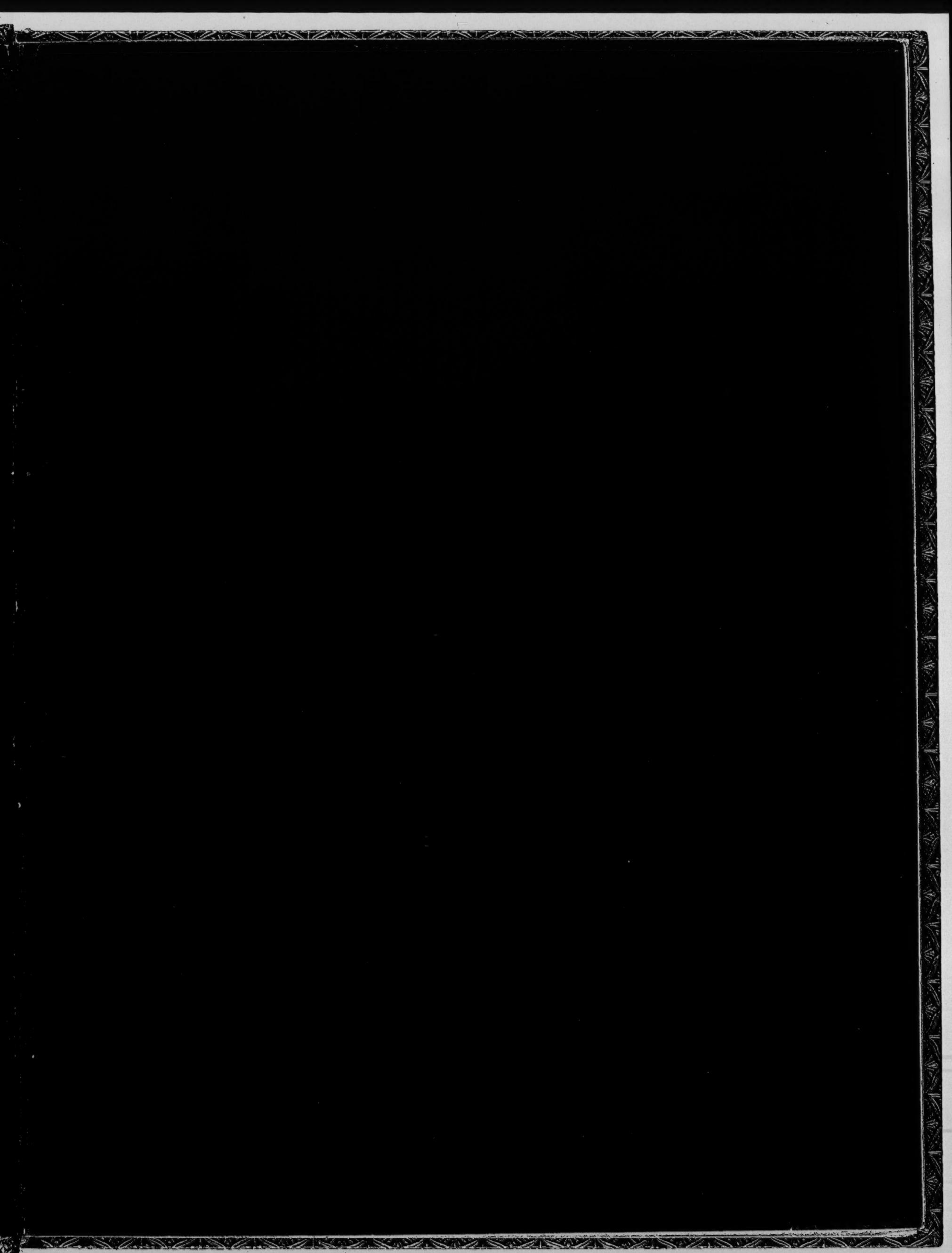
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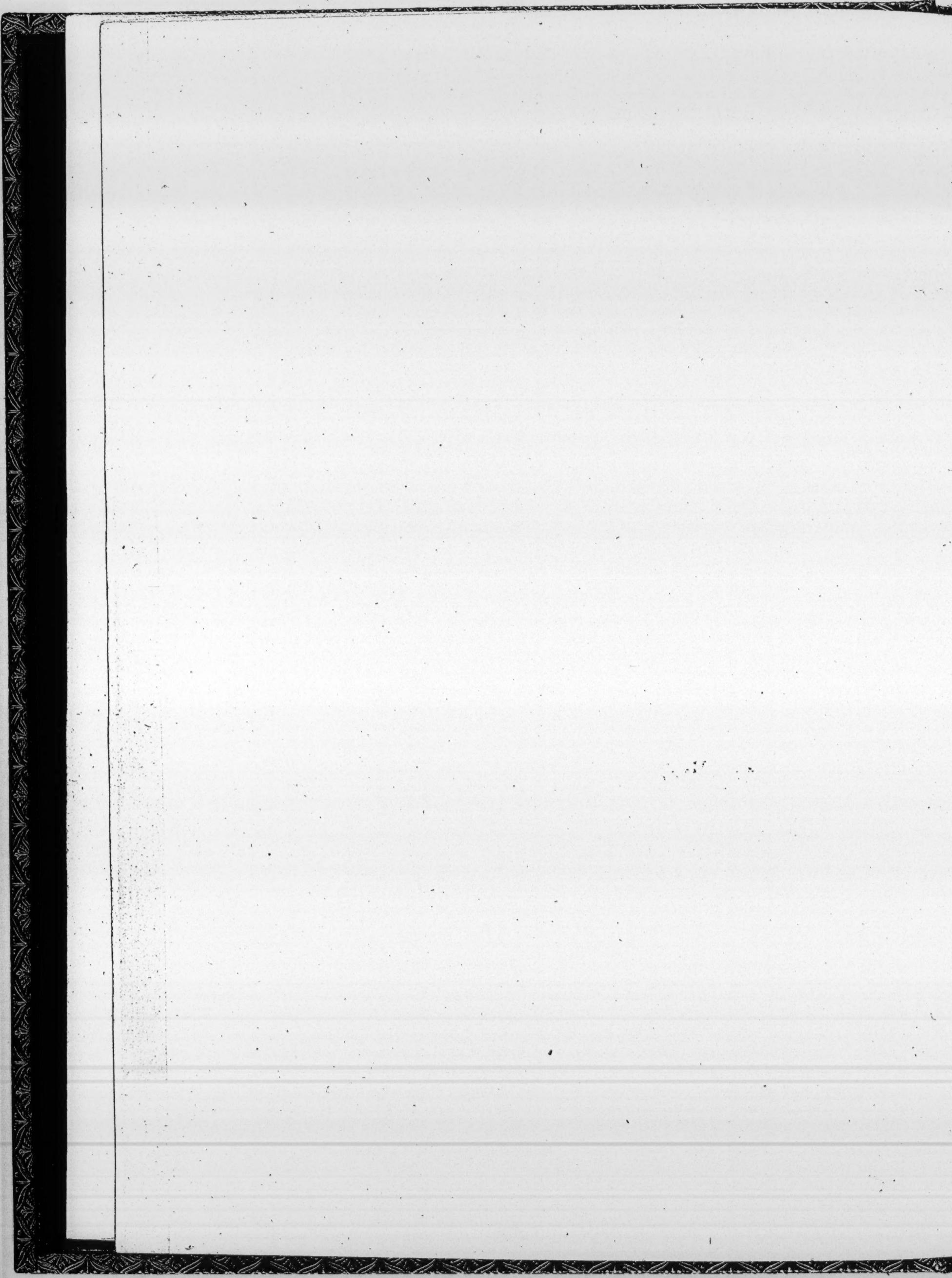
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This Original Edition is so rare that Woodman & Lyon in Russel St. Covent Garden reprinted an Edition as a facsimile in 1725. but we ^{had} that Copy may be presumed to have only a title, as it varies considerably from this.
Coryat died at least 1617.

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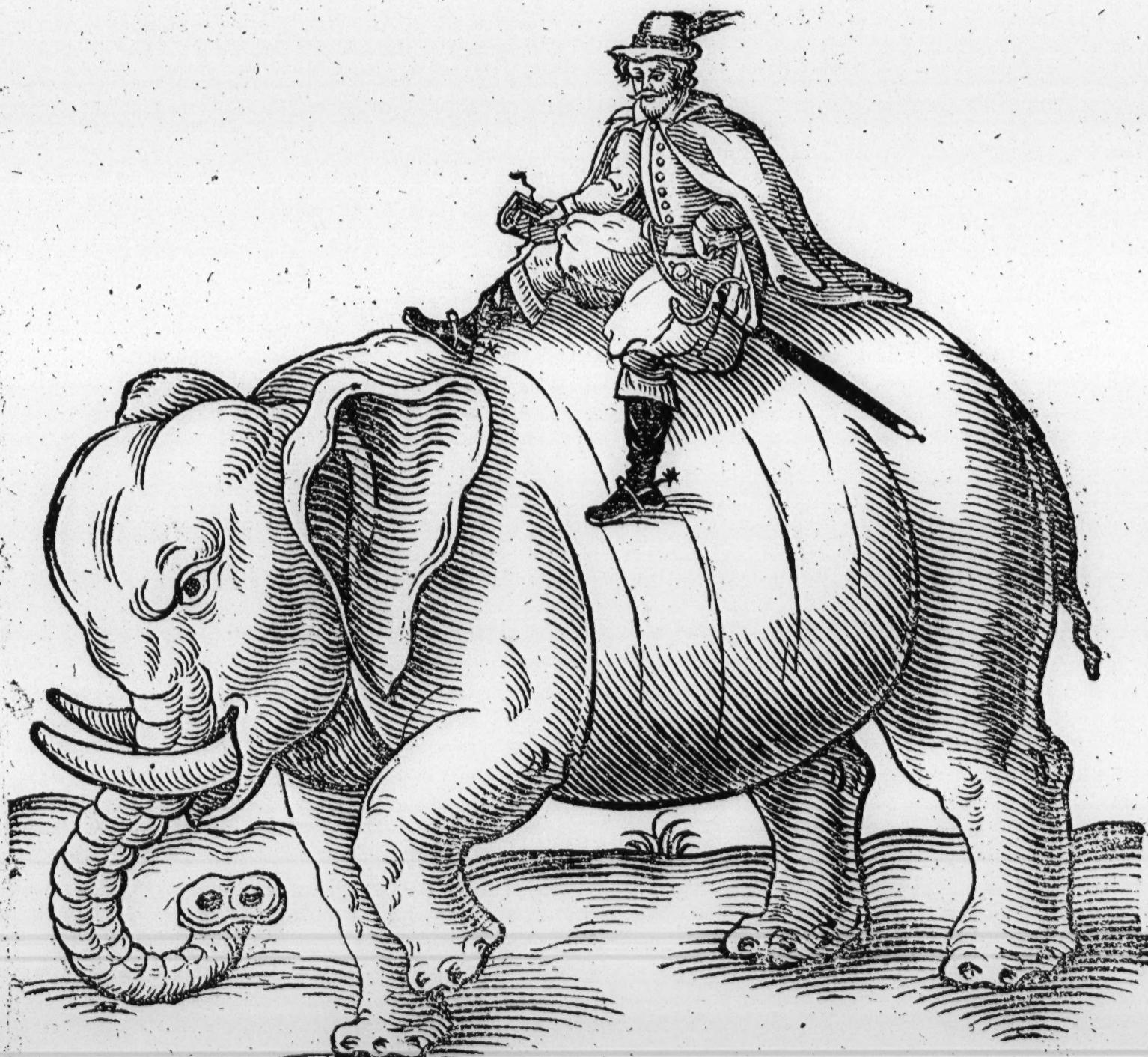


Thomas Coryate,

TRAVAILER

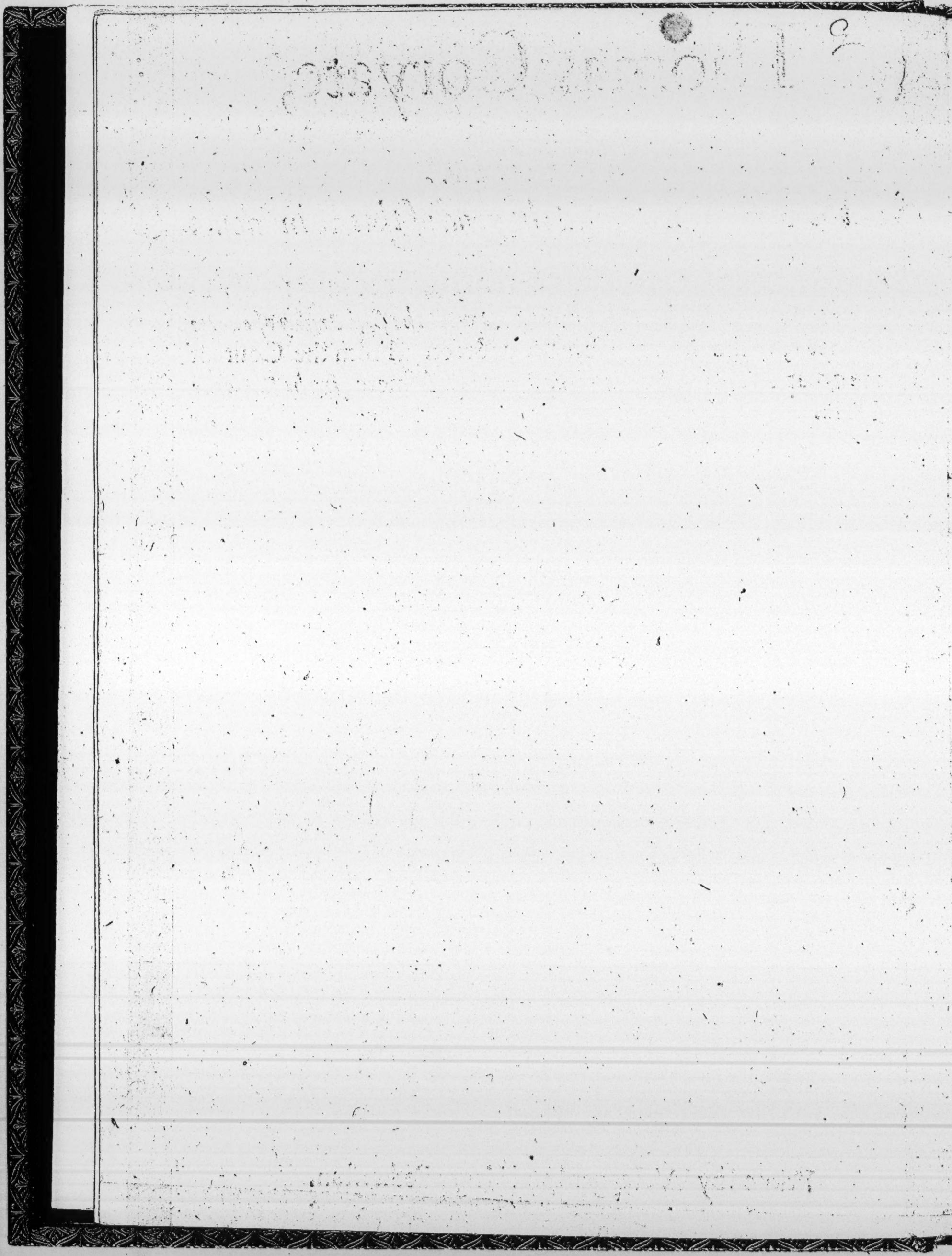
For the English wits, and the good of this Kingdom:

To all his inferiour Countreymen, Greeting: Espe-
cial'y to the Sireniacall Gentlemen, that meet the first Friday of euerie
Moneth, at the Mermaide in Breadstreet. From the Court of
the great Mogul, resident at the Towne of Asmere, in the Easterne
India.



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1616.



To the Reader.

Three years (poore Countrimē that haue not trauaile)
And to me odde daies, in *Odde-combs* grace & yours,
I haue enricht my feete (though something grauaild)
VVith measuring millicents of Townes and Towres.
And yet I sweare, my head is nothing full,
But rather empty of such things as fit
One that makes nothing of the Great *Mogul*,
But farre beyond, or wide, as farre as it
Is from my *Od-combe*. Meane to trauaile still,
Till I haue equald in some seauen yeares more
The wise *Vlysses*; for of him, my will
VVants nought in wit, but seauen yeares and some score
Of foolish dayes; of which, I hope to spend
Ten millions more: For all my life shall be
Endeard to that most lou'd; most fortunate end,
And to bring honor, to my Land and Ye.
But do not long for me too soone; or doubt,
As doth my mother; who doth wish I heare,
To haue me there, though in a shitten clout;
Though I not tred out my *Vlyssian* yeares.

To the Reader.

For who can purchase wisedome? Ten yeares? No
Before I get it, I will go, and go.

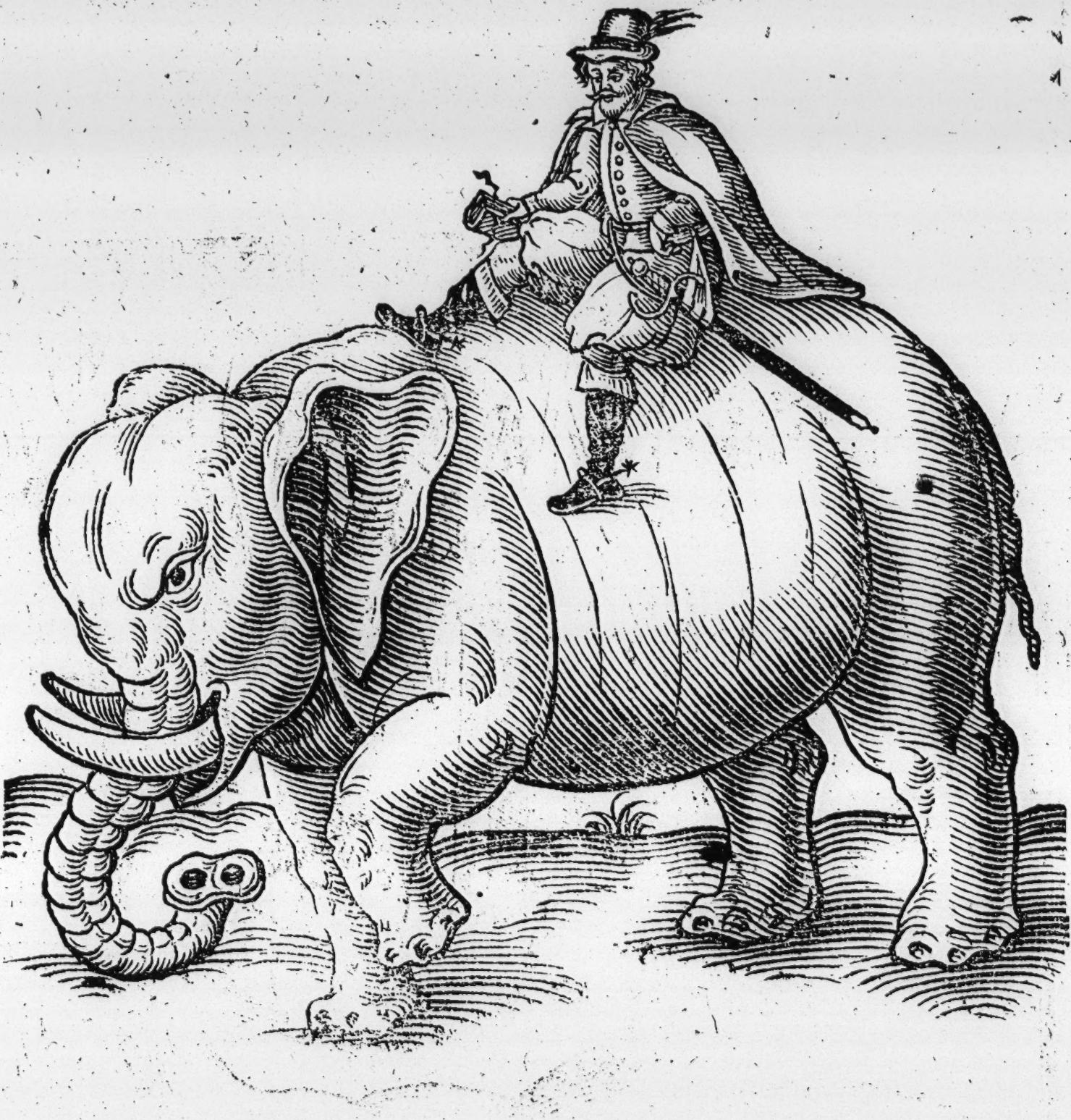
His Parallel with Erasmus.

Erasmus did in praise of folly write; *And Coryate doth, in his selfe-praise endite.*

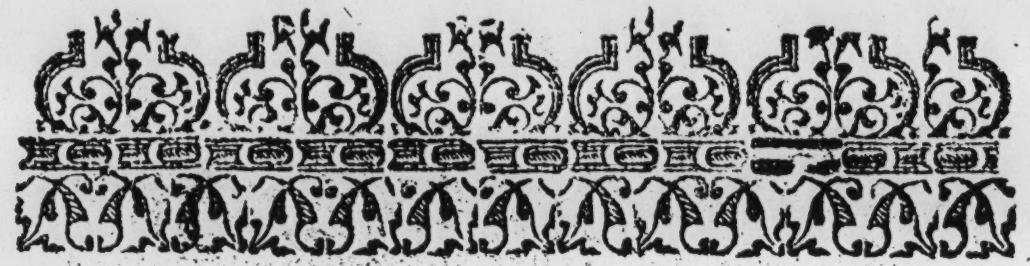




...to go to the moon and back again
and to speak with the stars and the sun
and to see the world from a bird's eye view
and to travel to the ends of the earth.

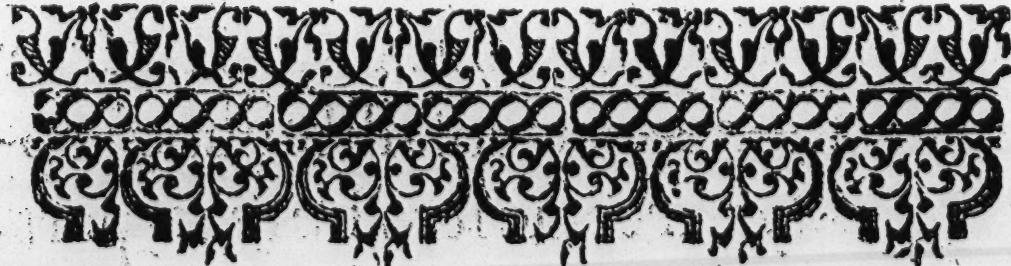


Loe heere the wooden Image of our wits;
Borne, in first trauaile, on the backs of Nits;
But now on Elephants, &c:
O, what will he ride, when his yeares expire?
The world must ride him; or he all will tire.



TO
THE RIGHT
Honourable, Sir Ed-
ward Phillips, Knight, and
Maister of the Rolles, at his
house in Chancery-Lane,
or VVanstead.

From the Court of the
most mighty Monarch, the
Great Mogul, resident in the Towne
of Asmere, in the Easterne
India, Anno. 1615.



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Right Honourable,



Am perswaded,
that if euer any
accident wort-
hy of admirati-
on euer happe-
ned vnto your
honor in al your
life time, it will be the receiuing of
this present Letter, from me out of
the Easterne India: yet perhaps it
will seeme vnto you so wondrous,
that I belueue you will doubt whe-
ther this bee the true hand-writing
of your once *Odcombiam* Neighbor,
Thomas Coryate. But your Honour
may soone very infallibly and ap-
parantly perceiue it to be true; parti-
ly by the forme of the style, which is
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iust answerable to that manner of speech that you haue heard and obserued in me, sometimes in my Lin-sie-woolsie Orations; and somtimes in my extrauagant discourses: and partly by the testimony of the bearer heereof, M. Peter Rogers, Minister at the time of his being in *India*, to the English Merchants resident at the Court of the most puissant Monarch the great *Mogul*, at a town called *Asmere*; whose comfortable and sweet company I enjoyed at the same Court, about the space of foure Moneths.

Now, though there hath itched a very burning desire in mee, within these few yeares, to suruay and contemplate some of the chiefeſt parts of this goodly Fabricke of the VVorld, besides mine owne natiuue Country: yet neuer did I thinke it would haue broken out to ſuch an ambitious vent, as to trauell all on
and olivold B. 2 alſo in foote

foote from Ierusalem, so farre as the place where I wrote this Letter.

Howbeit since Fortune, or rather (to speake more properly, in vsing a Christian word) the prouidence of the Almighty, (for *Fatuus est, S. Augustine* saith, *qui fatu credit*) hath so ordained, that I should securely passe so far into the Orientall world, with al humilitie vpō the bended knees of my hart, I thank my Creator & merciful redeemer, Iesus Christ; (whose Sacrosanct Sepulcher I haue visited & kissed, *terque quaterque in Ierusalem*) & do very much congratulate mine owne happines, that he hath hitherto endued mee with health, (for in all my trauels since I came out of England, I haue enjoyed as sound a constitutiō of body, & firme health, as euer I did since I first drew this vitall ayre) libertie, strength of limbs, agilitie of foot-manship, &c.

Neither do I doubt, but that your Honour it selfe will likewise con-

gratulate the felicitie of our Sommer-setshire, that in breeding me, hath produced such a traueller, as dooth for the diuersitie of the Countries he hath seene, and the multiplicitie of his obseruations, farre(I beleue) out-strippe anie other whatsoeuer, that hath beene bred therein since the blessed Incarnation of our Sauior. Yea, I hope my generall countrie of *England*, shall one day say, that *Odde-combe*, for one part of the word, may truelie be so called: (for *Odde-combe* consisteth of two words, *odde*, & *combe*, which latter word in the olde Saxon tongue signifieth besides the vertical point of a cocks head, the side of a Hill, because the east side of the hill wheron *Od-combe* standeth, is very conspicuous, and seene afar off in the Country Eastward) for breeding an odde man, one that hath not his peere in the whole kingdomē to match him.

Three yeares and some few odde
dayes I haue spent already, in this
second peregrination, and I hope
with as much profite (vnpartially
will I speake it of my selfe, without
any ouer-weening opiniō, to which
most men are subiect) both for lear-
ning foure Languages more, then I
had when I left my Country: viz.
Italian, Arabian, Turkish, and Persian;
and exact viewing of diuers of the
most remarkeable matters of the
Vniuerse; together with the accu-
rate description thereof, as most of
my Countri-men that are now a-
broad. Yet such is my infatiable
greedinesse of seeing strange coun-
tries: which exercise is indeede the
very Queene of all the pleasures in
the world, that I haue determined
(if God shall say Amen) to spend
full seauen yeares more, to the ende
to make my voyage answerable for
the time to the trauels of *Vlysses*; &
then

then with vnspeakable ioy to reuise my Country ; which I will euer entitle (notwith-standing all the goodly Regions that I haue seene in my two perambulations) with the stile of the true *Canaan* of the world, that flowes with Milke and Hony. Onely wish me good successe, I beseech your Honour, as I will from my heart, to you and all your familie; hoping to salute you after the finall catastrophe (of my) exoticke wanderings; when you shall bee in the great climacterical year of your age; you being about fifty three, if my conjecture doth not faile mee, when I tooke my leaue of you : a thing verie likely by the mercifull goodnessse of God. For your Father, that was my god-father, who imposed vpon me the name of Thomas, liued more then eightie yeares.

Honourable Sir, take it not, I beseech you, for a discouresie, in that

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I write nothing in this Letter of my
past trauels. I am certaine, that a
Letter which I haue written to M.
Whitaker, your learned and elegant
Secretary, wherein I haue compen-
diouslie discoursed of some of my
obseruations in *Asia*, will quicklie
come to your hands, at least if hee
remaineth still in your seruice: ther-
fore it would be superfluous to haue
repeated the same things. Dutie
ioyned with the recordation of the
manifold benefits, and singular fa-
vours I haue receiued from you,
hath inioyned mee to send this Let-
ter to your Honour, from this glo-
rious Court of the *Mogul*; wherein
seeing I relate not the singularities
I haue seene in those Orientall Re-
gions, I will desist to be farther te-
dious; humbly recommending
your Honour, and vertuous Lady,
your well-beloued Sonne & Heire-
apparant, Sir *Robert*, (to whom I
haue

haue written a few times also) & his sweet Lady; M. Martin also, M. Christopher Brooke, whom I thanke still for his no lesse elegant then serious verses: M. Equinoctiall Pasticrust of the middle Temple, M. VVilliam Hackwell, and the rest of the worthy gentlemen frequenting your Honourable table, that fauour vertue, and the sacred Muses, to the most Heauenly Clientele of the eternall Iehouah.

Your Honors most obsequious Beadsman,
Thomas Coryate.

From the Court of the great Atogal, resident in
the Towne of Asmere in the Easterne India, on
Michaelmas day, Anno 1615.

I beseech your Honour, to speake courteously to this kind Minister M. Rogers for my sake : for he euer shewed himselfe very louing vn-
to me.



Most deare and belo-
ued Friend, Maister L. W.
negat animæ dimidium meæ!

From the Court of the most Migh-
ty Monarch, called the Great Mogul, resi-
dent in the Towne of Asmere, in the Ori-
entall India. Anno 1615.

 Ordiall salutations
in the Author of
Saluation , Iesu
Christ: where I writ
vnto you last, I re-
member wel ; euen
from Zobah, as the Prophet Samuel
calleth it (2 Booke 8. chap. ver. 3) that
is, Aleppo, the principall Emporium of
all Syria, or rather of the Orient
world; but when, in trueth I haue
forgotten, for I keepe not coppies
of

of my Letters, as I see most of my Countrey-men doe, in whatsoeuer place of the worlde I finde them. Howbeit, if my coniecture doe not much faile me, I may affirme that it was about xv. moneths since, about a month after I returned vnto Aleppo from *Ierusalem*, after which time, I remained there three months longer, and then departed therenhence in a Carauan into Persia, passing the noble riuier Euphrates (the cheefest Gen. 2, 10. of all that irrigated Paradise, where hence, as frō their original, the three other riuers were deriuued) about foure dayes iourney beyond Aleppo, on the farther side of which, I entered Mesopotamia, alias Chaldea, for the Euphrates in that place distingui^{sh}teth Syria & Mesopotamia. Therenhence I had two dayes iourney to *Vr* of the Chaldeans, where *Abraham* was born, Gen. 11.28. a very delicate and pleasant Cittie. Therē I remained foure dayes, but I

I could see no part of the ruines of
the house, wher that faithful seruant
of God was borne, though I much
desired it. From thence, I had foure
dayes journey to the Riuer *Tigris*,
which I passed also; but in the same
place where I crossed it, I found it
so shallow, that it reached no higher
then the calfe of my legge: for I
waded ouer it afoot. Now I wel per-
ceiue by mine ocularl experience,
that Chaldea is named *Mesopotamia*,
for that it is inclosed with the fore-
said riuers. *Trajecto Tigride*, I entred
Anneha (the greater: After that, *Me-
dia* the lower, & resided six dayes in
the Metropolis therof, heretofore cal-
led *Ecbatana*, the sommer seate of Cy-
rus his Court, a City eftsoone men-
tioned in the Scripture, now called
Tauris, more wofull ruines of a City
(sauing that of *Troy* & *Cyzicū* in Na-
tolia) neuer did mine eies beholde:
whē I seriously contemplated those
ruines, the doleful testimonies of the

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Turkish deuastations, I called to
minde Ouids verse.

Ludit in humanis diuina potentia rebus.

And that of Hesiod,

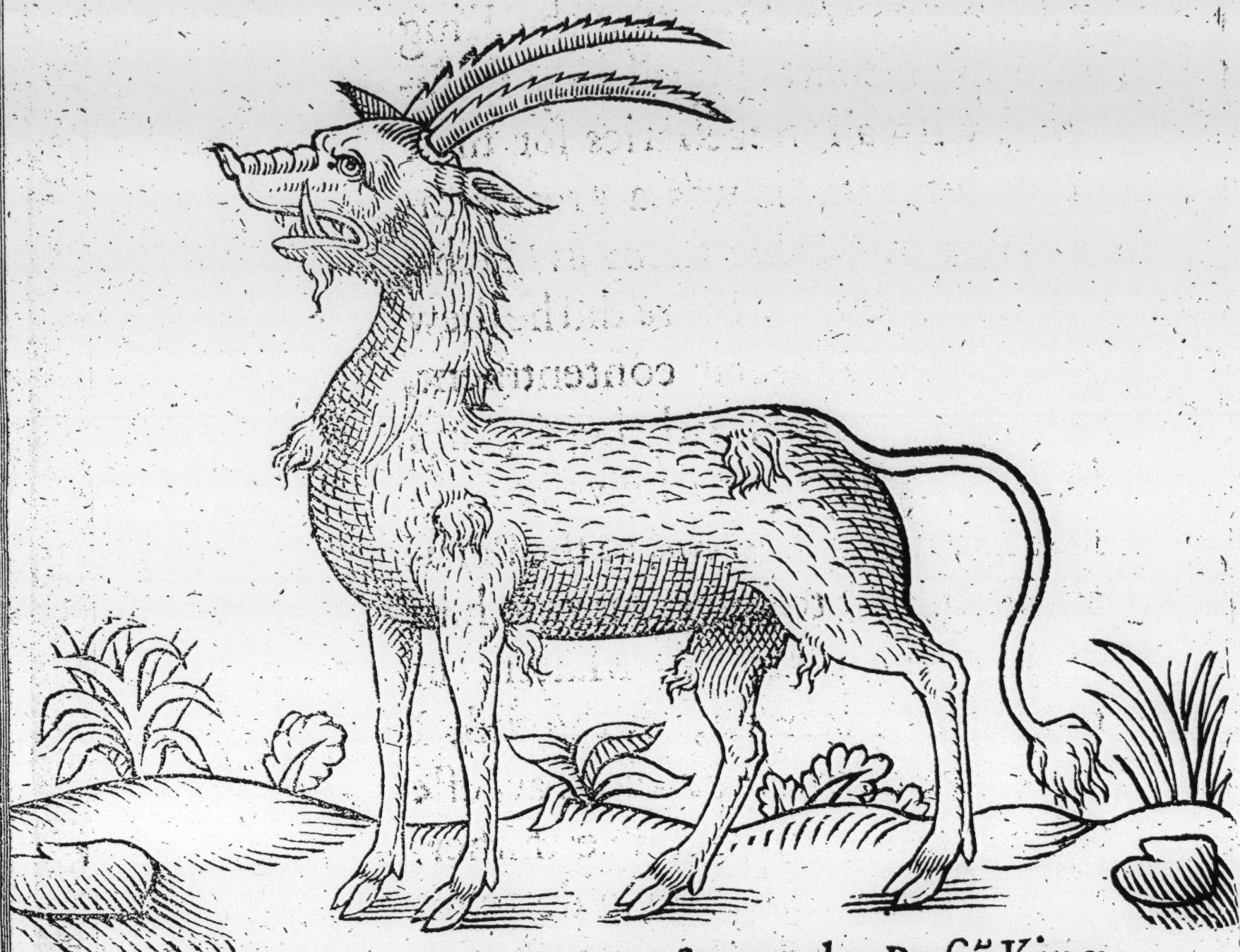
Tα δὲ υπέρ περιέλατο θύσει τούτος υπερβολέων.

From that, I had two daies iourney
to a Citty that in Strabos time was
called *Arsacia* in *Media* the higher,
now *Casbin*, once theroyall seate of
the *Tartarian* Princes, 4 daies iourny
from the *Caspian* sea. From *Casbin*, I
had 23 daies to *Spahan* in *Parthia*, the
place of residence of the *Persian* K.
But at my being there, he was in the
Countrey of *Gurgistan*, ransacking
the poor Christians ther with great
hostility, with fire & sword. There I
remained 2 months, & so with a Ca-
rauan trauelled into the Easterne *In-*
dia, passing 4 months & odde daies,
in my trauell betwixt that (through
part of the true *Persia*, & a large tract
of the noble & renouwd *India*) and
the goodly city of *labore* in *India*, one
of the largest Cities of the whole v-
niuerse. For it containeth at the least
xvi. miles in compasse, & exceedeth

stantinople it selfe in greatnessse: but
a dozen dayes before I came to La-
bore, I passed the famous Riuier *In-
dus*, which is as broad againe as our
Thames at *London*, and hath his ori-
ginall out of the Mountaine *Cau-
casus*, so much ennobled by the an-
cient both Poets and Historiogra-
phers, *Greeke & Latine*; which *Plato*
for curiositie sake, in his trauelles of
these parts, went to see. It lyeth not
farre from that vpon the Confines
of *Scythia*, now called *Tartaria*: My
selfe also conceiuing some hope of
seeing it before my finall farewel of
India. I had almost forgotten one
memorable matter to impart vnto
you: About the middle of the way,
betwixt *Spahan* and *Labore*, iust about
the Frontiers of *Persia & India*, I met
Sir *Robert Sherley*, and his Lady, tra-
uailing from the court of the *Mogul*,
(where they had beeene verie graci-
ously receiued, and enriched with

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presents of great value) to the King of Persia's Court; so gallantly furnished with all necessaries for their trauailes, that it was a great comfort vnto me to see them in such a flourishing estate. There did he shew mee to my singular contentment, both my Bookes neatly kept; and hath promised me to shew them, especialy mine *Itinerarie*, to the Persian King; and to interpret vnto him some of the principall Matters in the Turkish tongue, to the end, I may haue the more gracious accessse vnto him after my returne thither. For through Persia I haue determined (by Gods helpe) to returne to Aleppo. Besides, other rarities that they carried with them out of India; they had two Elephants, and eight Antlops, which were the first that euer I saw: but afterwards, when I came to the Moguls Court, I sawe great store of them. These they
meant



meant to present to the Persiā King.
Both he and his Lady vsed me with
singular respect, especially his La-
dy, who bestowed forty shillings
vpon me in *Persian* mony; and they
seemed to exult for ioy to see mee,
hauing promised me to bring mee
in good grace with the *Persian* king,
and

and that they will induce him to bestow some Princely benefit vpon me: this I hope will be partly occasioned by my booke, for he is such a ioycond Prince, that he will not be meanlie delighted with diuers of my facetious hieroglyphicks, if they are truelie and genuinely expouned vnto him. From the famous Citie of *Labore*, I had twentie daies iourney to another goodly Citie called *Agra*, through such a delicate and euen tract of ground, as I neuer saw before; and doubt whether the like bee to be found within the whole circumference of the habitable world. Another thing also in this way, beeing no lesse memorabile then the plainenesse of the ground; a row of Trees on each side of this way where people doe trauell, extending it selfe from the townes end of *Labore*, to the townes end of *Agra*; the most incompara-

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ble shew of that kinde, that euer my
eies suruaied. Likewise wheras ther
is a Mountaine someten daies iour-
ney betwixt *Lahore* and *Agra*, but ve-
rie neere ten miles out of the way
on the left hand: the people that in-
habite that Mountaine, obserue a
custome very strange, that all the
brothers of any familie, haue but
one and the selfe-same wife; so that
one woman sometimes doth serue
6 or 7 men: the like whereof I re-
member I haue read in *Strabo*, con-
cerning the Arabians that inhabi-
ted *Arabia felix*. *Agra* is a verie great
Citié, and the place where the *Mogul*
did alwaies (sauing within these two
yeares) keepe his Court, but in eue-
rie respect much inferior to *Lahore*.
From thence to the *Moguls* Court I
had ten daies iourney, at a Towne
called *Asmire*, where I found a Cape
Merchant of our English men, with
nine more of my Countrimen, resi-
dent

dent there vpon termes of Negotiations, for the right worshipfull Company of Merchants in Londó that trade for East India. I spent in my iourney betwixt *Jerusalem* & this *Moguls* Court, 15.moneths and odde daies : all which way I trauersed a-foot, but with diuers paire of shooes, hauing beene such a Propateticke, (I will not cal my selfe Peripatetick, because you know it signifieth one that maketh a perambulation about a place, *περιπατεῖν*, signifying to walk about) that is, a walker forward on foote, as I doubt whether you euer heard of the like in your life: for the totall way betwixt *Jerusalem* and the *Moguls* court, containeth two thousand and seauen hundred English miles. My whole perambulation of this Asia the greater, is like to bee a passage of almost sixe thousande miles, by that time that in my returne backe thorough Persia,

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afterward also by Babylon and Nini-
ue, I shall come to Cairo in Egypt, and
from that downe the Nylus to Alex-
andria, there to be one daie (by Gods
helpe) imbarqued for Christen-
dome; a verie immense dimension
of ground.

Now I am at the Moguls Court, I
think you would be glad to receiue
some narration thereof from mee,
though succinctly handled: for I
meane to be very compendious, lest
I shold otherwise preoccupate that
pleasure which you may here after
this reape by my personall relation
thereof. This present Prince is a ve-
rie worthy person, by name Selim, of
which name I neuer read or heard
of any more then one Mahometan
King, which was Sultan Selim of Con-
stantinople, that liued about 80. years
since; the same that conquered Jeru-
salem, Damascus, Aleppo, Cairo, &c: ad-
ding the same to the Turkish Em-
pire.

pire. He is 53. yeares of age, his nat-
urall daie hauing beeene celebrated
with wonderfull pompe since my
arriuall here: for that daie he weigh-
ed himselfe in a paire of golden
Scales, which by great chance I saw
the same day (a custome that he ob-
serueth most inuioablie euery year)
laying so much golde in the other
scale as counteruaileth the weight of
his body, and the same he afterward
distributed to the poore. Hee is of
complexion neither white nor
blacke, but of a middle betwixt the:
I know not how to expresse it with
a more expressiuue & significant e-
pitheon then Oliue: an Oliue co-
lour his face presenteth: hee is of a
seemelie composition of bodie, of
a stature little vnequall (as I guesse
not without grounds of probabili-
tie) to mine, but much more corpu-
lent then my selfe. The extent of his
Dominion is verie spacious, beeing:

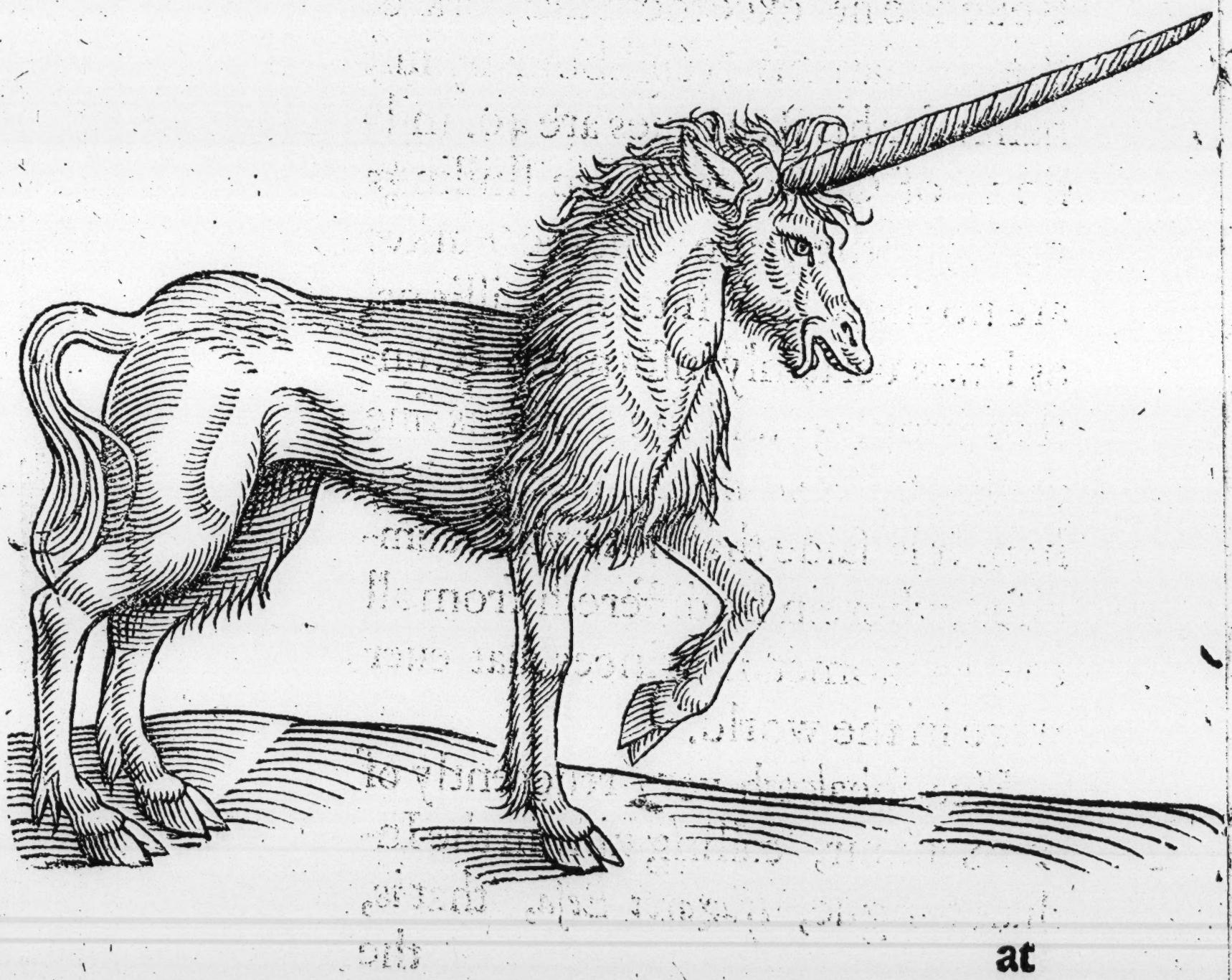
in circuite, little lesse then 4000.
English miles, which verie neere
answereth the compas of the Turks
territories: or if any thing be wan-
ting in geometricall dimension of
ground, it is with a great pleonas-
me supplied by the fertility of his
soyle: and in these two thinges hee
exceedeth the Turks, in the fatnesse
(as I haue said) of his Land, no part
of the world yeelding a more fruit-
full veine of ground, then all that
which lieth in his Empire, sauing
that part of Babylonia, where the
terrestriall Paradise once stooode:
whereas a great part, of the Turkes
Land is extreme barren and sterill,
as I haue obserued in my peregrina-
tion thereof, especially in Syria,
Mesopotamia and Armenia; many
large portions thereof beeing so
wonderfull fruitelesse, that it bea-
reth no good thing at all, or if any
thing, there *Infelix solium et steriles*
dominantur auenæ.

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Secondly, in the coniunction and
vniion of all his Territories, toge-
ther in one & the same goodly con-
tinent of India, no Prince hauing a
foote of land within him. But many
parcels of the Turkes Countries are
by a large distance of seas & other-
wise diuided asunder. Again, in his
Reuenue he exceedeth the Turk &
the Persian his Neighbour by iust
halfe: for his Reuenues are 40. mil-
lions of Crownes of sixe shillings
value, by the yeare: but the Turkes
are no more then fifteene millions,
as I was certainly informed in Con-
stantinople; and the Persians fiue
millions *plus minus*, as I heard in Spa-
han. It is saide that he is vncircum-
cised, wherein he differeth from all
the Mahometan Princes that euer
were in the world.

Hee speaketh very reuerently of
our Sauiour, calling him in the In-
dian tonguc, *Ifazaret Eesa*, that is,
the

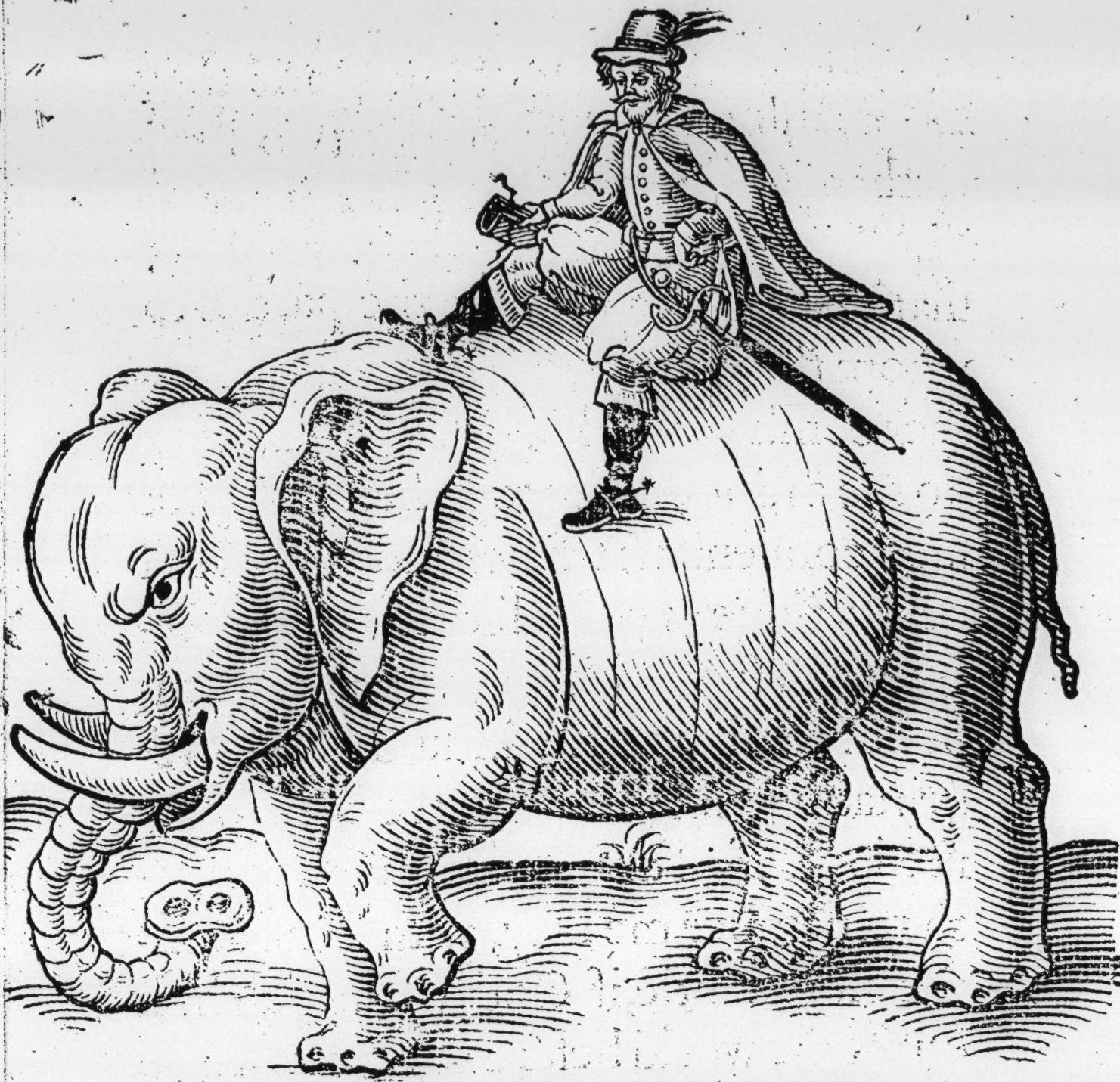
the great Prophet, Iesus: and all Christians, especiallie vs English, he yseth so beneuolently, as no Mahometan Prince the like. Hee keepeth abundance of wilde Beasts, & that of diuers sorts, as Lyons, Elephants Leopards, Beares, Antlops, Vnicornes; whereof two I haue seene



at his Court, the strangest beasts of the world: they were brought hither out of the Countrie of *Bengala*, which is a king-dome of most singular fertilitie within the compasse of his Dominion, about foure moneths iourney from this, the midland parts therof being watered by diuers channels of the famous *Ganges*, which I haue not as yet seene, but (God willing) I meane to visite it before my departure out of this Countrie, the neareſt part of it beeing not aboue twelue daies iourny from this Court. The King presenteth himselfe thrice euery daie without faile to his Nobles, at the rising of the Sunne, which he adoreth by the eleuation of his hands; at noone, and at fiue of the clocke in the euening: but he standeth in a roome aloft, alone by him ſelfe, and looketh vpon them from a window that hath an embroidered ſumptuous couerture, ſupported with two ſiluer pillasters to yeeld ſhadowe vnto him. Twice euery week, Elephants fight before him, the brauest ſpectacle in the worlde: many of them are thir-

teene foot and a halfe high ; and they
seeme to iustle together like two little
Mountaines, and were they not parted
in the middest of their fighting by cer-
taine fire-workes, they would excee-
dingly gore and cruentate one another
by their murdering teeth. Of Elephants
the King keepeth 30000. in his whole
Kingdome at an vnmeasurable charge;
in feeding of whom, and his Lyons, and
other Beasts, he spendeth an incredible
masse of money , at the least ten thou-
sand pounds sterling a day . I haue rid
vpon an elephant since I came to this
Court, determining one day (by Gods
leaue) to haue my picture expressed in
my next Booke, sitting vpon an Ele-
phant. The King keepeth a thoufand
women for his own body, whereof the
chiefest (which is his Queene) is called
Normal. I thinke I shall here after this,
send another Letter vnto you, before
my departure out of this Countrey, by
a worthy man, which is the Minister &
Preacher of our Nation in this place,
one M. Peter Rogers, a man to whom I

am



am exceedingly obliged for his singular offices of humanity exhibited vnto me. Pray vse him kindly for my sake; hee vnderstanding, that there is a certayne yong Gentleman, called Maister Charles Lancaster, that serueth the M. of the Rolles, intreated me to desire youto recommended him very kindly vnto him.

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Our

Our Cape-Merchants name is M.*VVilli-*
am Edwards, an honest gentleman, that
vseth me with verie louing respect. Dear
M. *L.VV.* conueigh these twoe letters
that I haue sent to you, to the parties to
whom they are directed: my poore mo-
ther & mine vnckle *VWilliams*. You may
do me a kinde office to desire him (with
such conuenient termes and patheticall
perswasions as your discretion shall di-
ctate and suggest vnto you) to remem-
ber me as his poore industrious pere-
grinating kinseman, nearest vnto him
in blood of all the people in the world;
to remember me I say, with some com-
petent gratuitie, if God should call him
out of the world before my returne into
my natiuie Countrie. I priae you if hee
be living, and doth use to come to Lon-
don as he was wont to doo, that you
would deliuier my Letter to him with
your owne hands, and not send it vnto
him. You may remember to relate this
vnto your friends, that I will now men-
tion as a matter verie memorable; I
spent in my ten moneths trauels be-

twixt

twixt Aleppo and the *Moguls* Court, but
 three pounds sterlinc, yet fared rea-
 sonable well euerie daie; victuals beeing
 so cheape in some Countries where I
 trauelled, that I oftentimes liued com-
 petentlie for a pennie sterlinc a day: yet
 of that three pound I was couensed of
 no lesse then ten shillings sterlinc, by
 certaine lewde Christians of the Arme-
 nian Nation: so that indeed I spent but
 fiftie shillings in my ten moneths tra-
 uailes. I haue beene in a Citie in this
 Countrie, called *Detee*, where *Alexander*
 the Great ioyned battell with *Porus*, K.
 of *India*, and conquered him; and in to-
 ken of his victorie, erected a brasse pil-
 lar, which remaineth there to this day.
 Pray remember my humblest seruice to
 the right Honourable, your Maister of
 the Rolles. *Si superat q; et vescitur aura*
aetherea, nec adhuc crudelibus occubat umbris.
 And to Sir Robert Phillips, once my *Me-*
cenas, but how affected to me at this
 time I know not: pray tell them that I
 meane to write to each of them before
 my departure out of *India*: remember

my duty also to their right vertuous Ladies. About foure yeares hence looke for me, but not before. For if God grant me life and health, I meane to make it a voyage of full seauen yeares before I come home, whereof three are already spent. Commend me also I pray you to M. Martin, though at a mans house in woodstreet, he vsed mee one night verie peruerfly before I came away: but you see that my being at Ierusalem dooth make me forget many iniuries. Commend mee likewise to Maister H. Holland, and *Inigo Jones*: at this time I haue many Irons in the fire; for I learne the Persian, Turkish, & Arabian tongues, ha-
ving already gotten the Italian (I thank God) I haue bene at the Moguls Court three moneths already, and am to tarry heere (by Gods holy permission) fiue moneths longer, till I haue gotten the foresaide three tongues, and then de-
part herehence to the Ganges, and after that, directly to the Persian Court.

Yor assured louing Friend till death,

Tho: Coryate.

From the Court of the Great Mogul, resident
at the Towne of Asmere in the Eastern
India, on Michaelmas day. Anno
1615.

I Do enjoy at this time as pancratiall and athle-
ticall a health as euer I did in my life: & so haue
done euer since I came out of England, sauing
for three dayes in *Constantinople*, where I had an
Ague, which with a little letting blood was clean
banished, the Lord be humbly thanked for his
gracious blessing of health that hee hath giuen
vntomee. I was robbed of my money both golde
and siluer (but not all, by reason of certaine clan-
destine corners where it was placed) in a Cittie
called *Diarbeck* in *Mesopotamia*, the Turks coun-
try, by a *Sp.hee* as they call him, that is, one of
the horsemen of the great Turke; but the occasi-
on and circumstance of that misfortune, would
be too tedious to relate. Notwithstanding that
I losse, I am not destitute of money I thanke God.
Since my arriuall heere, there was sent vnto this
King one of the richest presents that I haue heard
to be sent to any Prince in al my life time: it con-
sisted of diuers parcels; one beeing Elephants,
whereof there were 31. and of those, two so glo-
riously adorned, as I neuer sawe the like, nor
shal see the like again while I liue. For they wore
fourre chaines about their bodies all of beaten
gold: two chains about their legges of the same;

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furniture for their buttocks of pure gold: twoe Lyons vpon their heads of the like gold: the ornaments of each, amounting to the value of almost eight thousand pound sterlinc: and the whole Present was worth ten of their Leakes, as they call them; a Leak being ten thousand pound sterlinc: the whole, a hundred thousand pounds sterlinc. Pray commend me to M. *Protoplast*, and all the Sireniacall gentlemen, to whom I wrote one Letter from *Aleppo*, after my being at *Ierusalem*; and another I intend to write before my going out of *Asia*. Their most elegant and incomparable safe-conduct that they haue graciously bestowed vpon me, I haue left at *Aleppo*, not hauing made any vse of it as yet, neither shall I in all my peregrination of *Asia*: but when I shall one day arriue in Christendome, it will be very auailable to me. I haue heere sent vnto you the coppy of certaine facetious verses, that were lately sent to me to this Court, from one of my Countrimen, one M. *John Browne*, a Londoner borne, now resident with diuers other English Merchants, at a Citie in *India*, fife hundred miles from the place where I abide, called *Amadauers*, about sixe dayes iourney from the Sea: who vnderstanding of my arriuall at this Court, and of my tedious pedestriall peregrination all the way from *Ierusalem* hither; vnderstanding it I say, by Latine and Italian Epistles, that vpon a certaine occasion I wrote to some of that company, made these pretty verses, and sent them me. You may reade them to your friends if you thinke fit, and especially to the Sireniacall gentlemen; for they are elegant and delectable.

leet able. The superscription of his Letter was this : To the painefull gentleman, M. Thomas Coryate: The title within prefixed before the verses, this;

To the Odcombian wonder, our laborious Countriman, the generous Coryate.

The Verses.

What though thy Cruder trauels were attended
With bastinadoes, lice, and vile disgraces ?
Haue not thy glorious acts thereby ascended
Great Brittaines stage, euен to Princes places,
Led on in triumph by the nobleſt ſpirits
That euer deignd to write of anies merits ?

If then for that they did aduance thy fame,
How will they ſtrive to adde vnto thy glory,
When thou to them ſo wondrouſly ſhalt name
Thy weary foot ſteps and thy Asian ſtory ?

No doubt more ripe (as neerer to the Sunne)
Then was that firſt that in the cold begun.

Then reſt a while, and to thy taske againe,
Till thou haſt throughly trod this Asian round,
Which yet ſo many Kingdomes doth containe
As Dackon, where the Diamond is found ;
And Bifnagar, Narsinga : and if you be
Not weary yet, in Zeilan ſeeke the Rubie.

Then could I wiſh you ſaw the China Nation,
Whose policie and art doth farre exceed
Our Northern climes : and here your obſeruation
Would Nouclifts and curious Artists feede

With admiration. Oh, had I now my wishes,
Sure you shold learn to make their *Chin^a* dishes

* A goodly
Prouince in
India, three
hundred
miles from
hence.

* A kinde of
wine vsed in
that part of
Ind^a.

* He meaneth
Arabia sa^{lx}.

But by the way forget not * *Gugurat*,
The Lady of this mighty Kings Dominion:
Visite *Baroch*, *Cambai^a*, and *Surat*,
And *Amdawar*; all which in my opinion

Yeeld much content: & then more to glad yee,
Weele haue a health to al our friends in * *Tadec*

Then crosse to *Arab*, * happiest in diuision;
Buthaue a care (at *Mecca* is some danger)
Leste you incurre the paine of circumcision,
Or *Peter*-like, to Christ do seeme a stranger.

From thence to *Egypt*, where the famous *Nile*
And *Memphis* will detaine your eyes a while.

This done, at *Alexandria* seeke your passage
For *Englands* happy shores, wher *How* & *Mundy*
Will striue to make your trauels out-last age,
So long as stand their Annals of our Country.

For *Mandeuill* wil come of thee farre short,
Either of trauell, or a large report.

YET one Post-script more by way of a *Corollary*, and so with the same, beeing the fourth
and the last, I will add the final vmbilicke to this
tedious English-Indian Epistle. I haue written
out two seuerall coppies of these verses, and in-
cluded them within the Letters, which I haue in-
treated you to distribute for me, but so that the
Letters are not sealed vpon them; onely they lie
loose within the Letters, therefore they are sub-
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icet to losing, except you haue an extraordinary care of them. Wherefore I intreate you to deliuere that to mine Vnkle with your owne hands, if he be in London, or to conueigh it to him by such a one as will not lose that loose paper of verses. The like care I desire you to haue of that to my mother, and to send it vnto her by some other man then a Carrier, if you can iet with such an opportunity: for in truth I am afraide the carrier wil lose the inclosed paper. Pray take aduice of some of the M. of the Rolles his people that are to ride to *Euit*. Pray remember my commendations with all respect to M. *Williams* the goldsmith and his wife; and to *Beniamin Johnson*, and to reade this letter to them both: likewise to mistris *Elizabeth Balch*, if shee continueth with your Lady.

One appendix more and so an end. There happened betwixt the day of the writing of this Letter, and the day of the sealing of it vp, a memorable occurrent not to bee omitted. VVee receiued newes at this Court the ninth day after the writing of this Letter (for nine daies it was vnsealed) being the eight of October, of the arriuall of foure goodly English ships, at the hauen of *Suas* in *India*, and in the same, of a very generous and worthy English Knight, a deare friend of mine, Sir *Thomas Rowe*, to come to the Court with some mature expedition, as an Ambassadour from the right worshipfull company of London Merchants that trade for *India*: he cometh with Letters from our King, and certaine selected presents of good worth from the company, among st the rest, a gallant Caroch, of 150. pounds price. Also there came with him 15. seruants, al Englishmen. Forty daies hence at the farthest we expect (*θεοῦ Σιδώνιος*) his arriual at this Court. This newes doth refocillate (I will vse my olde phrase so well knowne to you) my spirits: for I hope he will vse me graciously, for old acquaintance sake.





TO THE HIGH
Seneschall of the right
*Worshipfull Fraternitie of Sireni-
acal Gentlemen, that meet the first Fri-
daie of euery Moneth, at the signe of the Mere-
Maide in Bread-streete in London, giue these:*

*From the Court of the great Mogul, resident at
the Towne of Asmere, in the East-
erne India.*



Iight Generous, Iouiall, and Mercuriall
Sirenaicks; I haue of-
ten read this greeke
Prouerb, $\chi \epsilon \pi \chi \epsilon \pi \alpha \nu \tau \epsilon \zeta$,
that is, one hand
washeth another, &

in Latine, *Mulus mulum scabit*, one Mule
scratcheth another; by which the An-
cients signified, that courtesies done vn-
to friends, ought to bee requited with
reciprocall offices of friendship. The
serious consideration heereof, dooth

make me to call to mind that incomparable elegant safe-conduct, which a little before my departure from England, your Fraternity with a general suffrage gaue me for the security of my future peregrination , concinnated by the pleasant wit of that inimitable artizan of sweet elegancy, the moytie of my heart, and the quondam Seneschall of the noblest society, M. L.VV.

Therefore since it is requisite that I should repay some-what for the same, according to the lawes of humanity: Such a poore retribution as I sent vnto you from Aleppo, the Metropolitan City of Syria, by one M. Henry Allare of Kent, my fellow-pilgrime therethence to Ierusalem ; I meane a plaine Epistle, which I hope, long since came vnto your hands. I haue sent vnto you by a man no lesse deare vnto mee then the former, one M. Peter Rogers, a Kentish man also, from the most famigerated Region of all the East, the ample and large India:

India: assuring my selfe, that because I am not able to requite your loue with any essentiall gratulations, other then verball and scriptall, you wil as louingly entertaine my poore Letters, beeing the certaine manifestation of an ingenuous minde, as if I should send vnto you the minerall riches or drugges of the noble Country.

Thinke it no wonder I pray you, that I haue made no vse in all this space since I left my natiuē Country, of the superexcellent *Commeate*; for I haue spent all my time hitherto in the Mahometan Countries, and am like to spend three yeares more in these Mufselman (as they call them) Regions of Asia, after of Europe, before I shal arrive in Christendome. For this cause I left it in Aleppo, with my Countrimen, there to receiue it from them againe, after that I shall haue ended my Indian and Persian perambulation: and therehence to carrie it once more

to Constantinople, and that by the way at
Iconium, Nicæa, Nicomedia, & in the coun-
trie of Natolia, a iournie of forty daies.
From that finally through the heart of
Greece, by the Cities of Athens, Thebes,
Corinth, Lacedæmon, Thessalonica, and to the
Citié of Ragouze, heretofore Epidaurus,
so sacred for the image of Aesculapius in
the countrie of Sclauonia, once called Il-
lyricum; from thence I haue three daies
iourney to the inestimable Diamond
set in the Ring of the Adriatique gulfe,
(as once I said in the first harangue that
euer I made to Prince Henry of blessed
memory, translated since my departure
from London, from the terrestriall Ta-
bernacles, to the cœlestial habitations)
venereous Venice, the soueraign Queen
of the Mare superum; if the great Iehouah
shall be so propitious vnto mee, as to
grant mee a prosperous arriuall in that
noble Cittie, I will there beginne to
shew your safe conduct, and to decan-
tate, yea and blazon your praises for the
same: and after in euery other place of
note, vntill I shall arriue in glorious

Lon-

London, communicate it to the most po-
lite ~~with~~ that the Cities will yeeld, tho-
rough which my laborious feete shall
carry mee, It would be superuacaneous
to commemmorate vnto you the almost
incredible extent of Land I trauersed
from *Jerusalem* to the Court of the great
Mogul in *India*, where I now reside; with
the variable Regions and Prouinces in-
teriacent betwixt them, and the mani-
fold occurrences and obseruations of
speciall worke in this vaste tract: for it
wold be such a fastidious discourse, that
it could not be wel comprehended in a
large sheete of paper: but M. VV. I hope
will not faile to impart vnto you ~~if~~ a
few compendious Relations, which I
haue acquainted him with, in a particu-
lar Letter to himselfe: of which, if I
should haue written againe to you, it
would haue proued *Crambe bis Cocta*. The
Gentleman that bringeth this Letter
vnto you, was preacher to the English
Merchants conuersant at the Court of
the aforesaide mighty Monarch in the
Towne of *Asmere* in this Easterne *India*:

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and in diuers louing offices hath bene
so kind vnto me, that I intreat your ge-
nerosities to entertaine him friendly
for my sake, to exhilarate him with the
purest quintessence of the Spanish, French
and Rhenish Grape, which the Mermaid
yeeldeth; & either one in the name of
you all, or else the totall vniuersalitie of
the one after another, to thanke him
heartily, according to the quality of
his merits. Farewell noble Sirenaicks.

Your generosities most obliged Countreyman,
ever to be commanded by you, the Hierosolymit-
an-Syrian-Mesopotamian-Armenian-Me-
dian-Parthian-Persian-Indian Legge-
stretcher of Odcomb in Somerset,

THOMAS CORYATE.



Ray remember the re-commendations of my dutifull respect to al those whose names I haue here expressed, being the louers of vertue, and literature; and so consequently the well-willers (I hope) of a prosperous issue of my desig-ments, in my laborious pedestriall perambulations of Asia, Affrica, and Europe.

VVritten with mine owne hand, at the Court of the Great Mogul Shaugh Selim, resident in the towne of Asmere, in the vmbilicke of the orientall India, the eight day of Nouember, being wednesdaie. Anno Dom. 1615.

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Imprimis,



Mprimis, to the two Ladies *Varyney*, the Mother & the Daughter, at Boswell house without Temple Barre.

2. Item, to that famous Anti-quarie, Sir Robert Cotten, at his house in the blacke Friers. Pray tell him that I haue a very curious white marble head of an ancient Heros or Gyant-like Champion, found out very casually by my diligent peruestigatio amongst the ruines of the once renowned City of *Cyzicum*, mentioned by *Cicerio* in his second Oration (if my memory doth not faile me) against *Verres*, situate in a peninsula of *Bythinia*, in the goodly country of *Natolia*, neere the Sea *Propontis*: to this head wil his best antiquities whatsoeuer veyle bonnet.

3. Item, to that courteous, sweet, and elegant-natured and nurtured gentleman, M. William Forde, Preacher to our Nation at *Constantinople*, if you happen to meeete him in any part of England; one that deserueth better of me then any man in all this Catalogue: for of him I haue learned whatsoeuer superficiall skill I haue gotten in the Italian tongue: pray reduplicate my commendations vnto him.

4. Item to M. George Speake my generous & ingenuous countriman, the Sonne and heyre apparent of Sir George Speake in Somersetshire: him you are like to finde in any Terme, either at the middle Temple, or in some Barbers house.

house neere to the Temple.

5. Item, to M. John Donne, the author of two most elegant Latine Bookes, *Pseudo-martyr*, and *Ignatij Conclave*: of his abode either in the Strād, or elsewhere in London: I thinke you shall bee easily informed by the meanes of my friend, M.

L. W.

6. Item, to M. Richard Martin, Counsellor, at his chamber in the middle Temple, but in the Terme time, scarce else.

7. Item, to M. Christopher Brooke of the city of Yorke, Councillor, at his chamber in Lincolnes Inne, or neere it.

8. Item, to M. John Hoskins, alias *Aequinoctial Pasticraft*, of the citie of Hereford, Councillor, at his chamber in the middle Temple.

9. Item, to M. George Garrat; of whose bee-
ing you shal vnderstand by Master Donne afore-
saide.

10. Item, to M. VVilliam Hackwell, at his chamber in Lincolnes Inne.

11. Item, to Maister Benjamin Johnson the Poet, at his chamber at the Blacke Friars.

12. Item to Maist. John Bond my countrey-
man, chiefe Secretarie vnto my Lorde Chan-
cellour.

13. Item, to M. Doctor Mocket, resident perhappes in my Lord of *Canterburies* house at Lambeth, where I left him.

14. Item, to M. Samuel Purkas, the great col-

lector of the Lucubrations of sundry classical au-
thors, for the description of Asia, Africa, and A-
merica. Pray commend mee vnto him and his
mapasalns Maister Cooke, by the same token, that
he gaue me a description of *Constantinople*, and
the *Thracius Bosphorus*, written in Latine by a
Frenchman called *Petrus Gillius*: which Booke,
when I carried once in an afternoone vnder mine
arme, in walking betwixt our English Ambassa-
dors house in *Pera*, on the opposite side to *Con-
stantinople*, and the Flemish Ambassadors house,
I lost it very vnfortunately to my great griefe, &
neuer found it againe.

15 Item, to M. *Inigo Jones*, there where Mai-
ster Martin shall direct you.

16 Item, to M. *John Williams* the Kings Gold-
at his house in Cheapside.

17 Item to M. *Hugh Holland*, at his lodging,
where M. Martin shall direct you.

18 Item to M. *Robert Bing* at Yongs ordinarie,
neere the Exchange.

19 Item, to M. *William Stansby*, the Printer of
my *Crudities* and *Crambe*, at his house in Thames
street: also to his childlesse wife.

20 Item, to all the Stationers in *Paules Church-
yard*; but especially those by name, Mast. *Norton*,
Mast. *Waterson*, M. *Mathew Lownes*, M. *Edward
Blount*, and M. *Barrat*, &c.

*God blesse thē all, & me too, that I may one day after
the finall consummation of my fastidious peregrina-
tions*

tions in the world, see and salute them all in health
and welfare.

Per me Thomam Coryatum
Odcombiensem.

Pray remember my verie humble dutie to my
Lord Byshop of *Batbe* and *Welles*, generous
M. Doctor Montacute; and tell his Lordship, that
before I returne towards the Persian court out of
this Orientall *India*, I resolute (by Gods permis-
sion) to write such a Letter vnto him (after I haue
throughly surueighed so much of this country as
I meane to do) as shall not bee vnworthy to bee
read to the Kings most excellent Maiesty. You
are like to heare newes of his Lordships abode
in Kings street, neere VVestminster..

A Distich to the Traueller.

All our choise wits, all, see, thou hast engrost:
The doubt yet rests, if they or thou haue most..

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મનુષ્યો તરફથી એવી વિશે
જીવાનિકાઓ

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etis, quib[us] i. colliguntur, etis, q[ui] sivey
de supra in uno (solitare) p[ro]f[ect]o, etis, q[ui] sivey
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foreign and local flora, with all
flora used for comparison.

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Tobis Louing Mother.

By this present Letter, I am like to minister vnto you the occasion of two contrary matters; the one of comfort, the other of discomfor: of comfort, because I haue by the propitious assistance of the omnipotent *Iehouah*, performed such a notable voyage of *Asia* the greater , with purchase of great riches of experience, as I doubt whether any English man this hundred yeares haue done the like; hauing scene and very particularly obserued all the cheefest things in the Holy-land, called in times past *Palestina*; as *Ierusalem*, *Samaria*, *Nazareth*, *Bethlehem*, *Jericho*, *Emmaus*, *Bethania*, the Dead sea, called by the Ancients *Lacus Asphaltites*, where *Sodome* and *Gomorrha* once stood ; since that, many famous and renowned Cities and countries; *Mesopotamia*, in the which I entred by the passage of the riuier *Euphrates*, that watered Paradise ; in which the City of *Vr* where *Abraham* was borne ; both the *Mediaes*, the higher and the lower. *Parthia*, *Armenia*, *Persia*, through al which I haue traualied into the Eastern India, being now at the Court of the great *Mogull*, at a Towne called *Asmere*, the which from Ierusalem is the distance of two thousand and seauen hundred miles; and haue traced all this tedious way afoote, with no small toile of bodye and discomfor: , because that beeing so exceeding

farre from my sweet and most delicious Natiue soyle
 of England, you will doubt perhaps, how it is possi-
 ble for me to returne home againe : but I hope I shall
 quickly remoue from you that opinion of discomfort,
 (if at the least you shall conceiue any such) because I
 would haue you know, that I alwayes go safelie in the
 company of *Carauans* from place to place. A *Carauan*
 is a word much vsed in all *Asia*: by which is vnderstood
 a great multitude of people travelling together vpon
 the way with Camels, Horses, Mules, Asses, &c. on
 which they carry Merchandizes from one country to
 another, and Tents and Pauillions ; vnder which in-
 stead of houses they shelter themselues in open fields,
 being furnished also with all necessary prouision, and
 conuenient implements to dresse the same : in which
Carauans I haue euer most securely passed betwixt Je-
 rusalem and this Towne, a iourney of fifteene months
 and odde dayes : whereoff oure wanting a VVeeke,
 spent in *Aleppo*, and two and fие & od dayes spent in
Spahan the Metropolitan City of *Persia*, where the
 Persian King most commonly keepeth his Court : &
 the occasion of my spending of sixe moneths of the
 foresaide fifteene, in those two Citties, was to waite
 for an opportunity of *Carauans* to Trauile withall ;
 which a traueller is not sure to finde presently, when
 he is ready to take his iourney, but must with patience
 expect a conuenient time ; and the *Carauan* in which
 I trauelled betwixt *Spahan* and *India*, contained 2000.
 Camels, 1500. horses, 1000. and odde Mules, 800.
 Asses, and sixe thousand people. Let this therefore
 (deer Mother) minister vnto you a strong hope of my
 happy returne into England.

Notwithstand all these lines for prouision for your
 Fune-

Funerall, I hope for to see you aliue and sound in bo-
dy & minde, about foure yeares hence ; & to kneele
before you with effusion of teares, for ioy. Sweet mo-
ther, pray let not this wound your heart, that I say four
yeares hence, & not before ; I humbly beseech you e-
uen vpon the knees of my heart , with all submissiue,
supplications to pardon me for my long absence ; for
verily, I haue resolued by the fauour of the supernall
powers, to spend 4. entire yeares more before my re-
turne, and so to make it a Pilgrimage of 7. yeares, to
the end I may very effectually and profitably contem-
plate a great part of this worldly fabricke, determining
by Gods special help, to go from *India* into the coun-
try of *Scythia*, now called *Tartaria*, to the Cittie *Sa-*
marcanda, to see the Sepulcher of the greatest Con-
queror that euer was in the worlde, *Tamberlaine* the
Great: thither it is a iourney of two months from the
place I now remaine: from that I meane to return in-
to *Persia*; and therehence by the way of *Babylon* & *Ni-*
niany, and the Mountaine *Ararat*, where *Noahs Arke*
rested, to *Aleppo*, to my Countrymen. From that, by
the way of *Damascus*, and once againe to *Gaza* in the
Land of the *Philistims* vnto *Cairo* in *Egypt*: From that
downe the *Nilus* to *Alexandria*: and therehence final-
ly, I hope to be imbarked for some part of Christen-
dome, as either *Venice*, or &c. After mine arriuall in
Christendome, I shall desire to trauell two yeares in *I-*
taly, and both high & low *Germany*, and then with all
expedition into *England*, and to see you(I hope)with
as great ioy as euer did any Trauailer his Father or
Mother, going in that manner as I do like a poore Pil-
grim. I am like to passe with vndoubted securitie, and

ry small charge: for in my tenne months trauailes betwixt *Aleppo* and this *Moguls* Court, I spent but three pounds sterling, and yet had sustenance enough to maintaine nature, liuing reasonably well, oftentimes a whole day, for so much of their money, as doeth counteruiale two pence sterling. But least I be ouer tedious vnto you, I will heere make an end.&c.

I will now commend you to the most blessed protection of our Sauiour Iesus Christ; before whose holy Sepulcher at Ierusalem, I haue poured foorth mine ardent Orisons for you, to the most sacro-sanc^t Trinity, beseeching it with all humilitie of heart, to blesse and preserue you in a solid health, &c.

Your louing Sonne,

Tho: Coryate.



To his louing Friend, Tho-
mas Coryate.

Tom Coryates Shooes hang by the Bels
At Odcomb, where that Bel-Dam dwels
who first produc't that monster:
Monster of men I may him call,
In that he is admir'd of all,
else mought he me misconster.

His head doth run the wilde-goose chace,
Swifter then horse of hunting race,
or Hare that Hound runs after:
He pickes vp wit, as Pigeons pease,
And vters it when God doth please:
O who can hold from Laughter?

To see him in a Morning Sunne,
In his rough Lambeskin and bare gowne
the Scuttle hole ascending:
Would make a horse his halter breake,
To heare him vomit forth his Greeke,
with all the Ship contending.

On *Christmas* day he drunke in iest,
Coniur'd a storme out of the East,
in clambring vp the cradle:
Before, the winde was wondrous faire,
Now forc't to ride in Gebraltar,
withouten horse or saddle.

But Asses there a hideous band,
Thom-as discouered from the Land,
 His Booke is not without them :
 At *Toms* returne there will be sport,
 In Countrey, City, Towne, and Court,
 Those Asses round about them.

Who liues his Leaues for to vnfold,
 At his returne, I dare be bold,
 will wonders finde farre stranger,
 Then was his conflict with the Iewes,
 Or entertainment at the Stewes ;
 or lying in the Manger

Amongst the horse at *Bergamo*,
 Or begging of the poore, I tro ;
 these were but toyes and bables :
 Of Drums, Guns, Trumpets, he will tell,
 Of haling Ships, of Pyrats fell ;
 of Tacklings, Masts, and Cables.

VVith Starboord, Larboorde, Helme, Alee,
 Full, Come no neere: 'tis done quoth he,
 who at the Helme doth stand.
 War-no-more, cries an angry Mate ;
 Oh *Odcombe*, these be termes of state,
 Not vsuall on the Land.

Oh learne this Tongue I thee beseech,
 For it is not beyond the reach
 of * Leaden pated fooles :

Because my Brother Coriatte called the Sailers Leaden-pated Fellowes, I say, it is not beyond their reach to learne this Language: nor that I call him Leaden-pated, for the world knowes he is capeable of farre worthier Languages: beeing now adding Italian, to his excellent Greeke and Latine.

A Marine Language made, I say,
Among our selues, which till this day
was neuer taught in schooles.

Confront your Academies all,
Of *Brazen-nose* and *Penbrooke Hall*,
of learned not the least:
Challenge the chiefe in our behoofe,
And make the proudest spring his loofe,
or send him South-South-east.

There let vs leauē them for a time:
Now to the subiect of my rime,
Tom Tel-troth simply witty:
Neither *Tom Dingell*, nor *Tom Drum*,
Tom Foole, *Tom Piper*, nor *Tom Thum*,
the scorne of Towne and Citie.

But *Tom of Toms*, admired most;
More then a Goblin, or a Ghost,
A Phairy, or an Elfe;
VVhilſt he amongſt his Friends abides,
Your Gizards at your *Whitsontides*,
no merrier then hirſelfe.

Gizard is in
Scotch a nier-
ry Mummer.

Fryer Tucke, Maide *Marian*, and the rest,
You Bag-pipes loud that loodle best,
making the valleyes ring:
You and all countrey clownes giue place,
To *Odcomb* of esteemed grace,
cuen vice-toy to a King.

Who for his mirth and merry glee,
Is raif'd to higher dignity,
then ere was Englis̄h wight;

So honor'd since his comming out,
He must no more be tearin'd a Lout,
but styl'd a *Troian Knight.*

Termed a
Lout, hauing a
reference vnto
the Princes
verses, who
held all men
guls & Louis,
that were not
Trauellers.

Where he hath writ of Toombs, of Stones,
Of Marble Pillars, dead mens bones,
with Pallaces of pleasure :
Of Gates, of Turrets, Churches, Towres,
Of Princes, Pesants, Knaues, and Vvhores ;
alas for time and leasure.

For to repeate what he hath writ,
VWhilst I am in this riming fit,
plaine, simple, vnrefinde :
Of this no longer must I stay,
Be merry Mates, and lets away,
whilst weather serues, and windes.

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